Mark A. Stanley

Executive Officer
San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles
"Rivers and Mountains Conservancy"

The Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mark Stanley as Executive Officer effective August 15, 2011. The Executive Officer reports to the RMC Governing Board of Directors. Under the direction of the Governing Board, Mark is responsible for the administration of the RMC's programs, planning, and fiscal management. The RMC's Board consists of 20 members. The RMC is a California state agency within the California Natural Resources Agency, and it was activated by State Legislature in 1999.

Mark's focus is on achieving the goals of the RMC's mission "to preserve open space and habitat in order to provide for low-impact recreation and recreational uses, wildlife habitat restoration and protection, and watershed improvements within its jurisdiction." In addition to serving as Executive Officer of the RMC, he is the Executive Officer of the Watershed Conservation Authority; a joint powers authority.

Mark has an extensive background in management, planning, development, and implementation of visionary projects. His background in grant management and land use will be an asset to the RMC. He has worked as Director of Planning for Riverside Transit, and as the Director of Operations and Planning and Executive Director of the Office of Mobility Management for ATC/Forsythe. His entrepreneurial skills were recognized when he co-owned and served as President of Pathfinder Transportation Service. His successful implementation of this welfare to work tool led to an invitation to the White House as an example of a creative solution to one of society's challenges.

Mark has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Urban Studies from the University of Maryland and a Master's degree in Environmental Planning from the University of Arizona. Mark resides in Chino where he is an avid runner and bicyclist.